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CONCERT 8:00 PM
PRE-CONCERT TALK 7:15 PM

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SUNDAY, FEB. 26, 2012

CLAUDE VIVIER

Wo bist du Licht!
(*Light, Where Are You?*)
for mezzo-soprano,
ensemble and tape

GIACINTO SCELSI

*Ohoi (I principi creativi –
The Creative Principles)*
for 16 strings

JOHN REA

Zefiro torna
(*The Zephyr Returns*)

ALFRED SCHNITTKE

*Concerto for Viola
and Orchestra*

ALEX PAUK
conductor

KRISZTINA SZABÓ
mezzo-soprano

TENG LI
viola

Vivier's piece, an impassioned plea for light, or enlightenment, layers instruments, sung texts and recorded sound (including Martin Luther King's last speech) in a sensuous work of tremendous emotional impact.

Ohoi reflects Scelsi's feeling that he was a medium or emissary merely translating and passing on things received in a state of meditation.

Zefiro torna engages traces of music by Monteverdi with other musics, and ancient winds of a more ominous nature, finally to emerge when the gentle and agreeable wind Zephyr returns ... again.

Schnittke's concerto, lovingly incorporating music from film, dance halls, brass bands and Soviet military marches, is pure passion in its conception and what it requires of the soloist.



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